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gay conference

Beginning Friday evening Oct. 12th and going through Sunday Oct. 14th, the first Boston Gay Conference will be happening at the Charles St. Meetinghouse, Charles and Mt. Vernon Sts., and Old West Church, 131 Cambridge St., Boston. Many different groups and people working in various aspects of Boston's gay community will be involved in the conference.

The activities on Saturday will be primarily for women. Proceeds from the Saturday night dance featuring the "Whitch" will go to the Homophile Community Health Service. Sunday afternoon will introduce the newcomer to the Boston gay community, its organizations and activities. Representatives from many groups will conduct work shops that cover a wide range of gay life. See complete schedule of times, places and people listed below.

Rick Hamilton, an organizer of the conference, is hoping to attract both gays and straights and plans to get one of these things together quarterly (the next one would be in January) if this weekend is successful.

Boston Gay Conference Schedule:
Friday Oct. 12, 9:00PM-1:00AM Gay Dance with "Whitch" (all women rock band) at CSMH $2.00 donation.
Saturday, Oct. 13, Women's Festival at Old West, 1-5:30PM Open House, Poetry, Art, Music. 6-7:00 PM Dinner $1.00. 7-8:30PM 9:00PM Dance with "Whitch" at CSMH, $2.00 donation. Proceeds to HCHS.
Sunday, Oct. 14, 2-3:30PM Gay activities tables at CSMH including the following groups: HUB, DOB, HCHS, GCN, BGY, GMA, MCC, GCC, SHL, and Paul Shanley. 4-6:00PM Gay workshops at CSMH including: Lesbian Mothers, Penny Perrault; Women in Church, Rev. Nancy Wilson; Women's Rap, Elaine Nobel; Parents of Gays, Rev. Paul Shanley; Hold Hands Men & Women, Geri Bidwell & Bob Dow; Coming Out, Ellen B. Davis & Rick Hamilton; Media, Loretta Lotman & Ian Johnson. 7:00PM Feminist Liturgy at Old West, Freda Smith, Pastor of Sacramento MCC. 8:00PM Reception for Rev. Smith of Old West.

Noble appointed, Frank misquoted

State Representative Barney Frank was misquoted in an article appearing in the Sept. 19th edition of the Boston Globe. The article dealt with the appointment of Elaine Noble to the 40 member Governor's Commission on the Status of Women by Governor Sargent. Frank reportedly referred to Ms. Noble as "an intelligent woman who suffers from particular problems". In a letter to the editor of the Boston Globe, Representative Frank (D-Boston) states that the quote was taken out of context and not clarified. Elaine Noble's "particular problems" are not that she is a woman and a homosexual, but rather the repercussions that she has received as a result of them.

Mr. Frank went on to say that "while all women face unfair discrimination in our society, homosexual women suffer from an intensified form of discrimination" and that "the only problem from which Ms. Noble suffers is a bigoted attitude on the part of far too many people in our society who are unwilling to allow others the right to lead their lives as they see fit. Ms. Noble is admirably equipped to lead the fight against this bigotry, and I congratulate Governor Sargent for his appointment of her." Representative Frank is an advocate of gay rights who has tried to have legislation passed which would cease discrimination on the basis of sexual preference.

On Saturday, October 20th, a benefit will be held from 7 to 10 PM for the Charles Street Meetinghouse. For $2.50 you can buy a ticket for the fabulous (!) spaghetti supper. Wine will be on sale. Tickets may be purchased at the Meetinghouse Coffee House or you can phone reservations in at 742-0450 Gay brothers and sisters are invited to attend this benefit. For just $2.50 you can eat some of the world's greatest spaghetti for the benefit of the Meetinghouse.

PORNO INDECISION

"Deep Throat plays in New Jersey, Erotikus is cut in Boston, Carnal Knowledge is declared obscene in Atlanta, even Day of the Jackal is struck down in Memphis." This is how HUB member and Esquire Theatre promoter George Mansour described the "absolute mess" resulting from the recent Supreme Court desision on pornography - a decision he described as "no decision at all." By turning censorship over to local authorities, Mansour claimed, speaking before a HUB audience Sunday, the Burger court has made inevitable the recent series of oppressive, probably unconstitutional state laws and local rulings.

Mansour spelled out other implications of this new oppressive atmosphere -- particularly as regards media discrimination against the gay community. The major Boston papers, he claimed, will accept no gay ads or gay notices. Even film times of the phrase "all male cast" will not be run in either the Globe or the Herald American. Mansour described this situation as exploitative and "frightening."

The Burger decision has also spawned a series of raids on local bookstores and the confiscation of at least one gay film at Esquire's So. Station Cinema. More threatening, in Mansour's view, is the notion that any government, state, local, or federal, has the right to decide what an individual can or cannot see on the screen. Mansour terms the present laws elitist: those wealthy enough to own projectors and obtain libraries of porno prints are protected by the Court's decisions; those who have only the price of a ticket run afoul of the law. "We are cutting films in Boston," Mansour said, "and we're cutting them heavily" to avoid what he called the "selective enforcement" of the Boston Vice Squad. Both straight and gay porno theatre operators "are playing Russian roulette with what they show."

Mansour himself is now cutting scenes of ejaculation and insertion - though the first-fucking scene from LA Plays Itself will stay in Erotikus, the current So. Station offering.

The discussion concluded with a plea for sexual and personal freedom and the elimination of porno houses entirely. Such freedom, for Mansour, would eliminate the need to "sit in a dark room" and watch our sexual lives acted out by shadows on a screen.

Features Oct. 12, 13

Myra Breckenridge
Beyond the Valley of the Dolls
Eroticas
Chant D'Amour
and surprises.

The Art Cinema located at 204 Tremont Street has succeeded in getting together another Midnight to Dawn film festival, the second of its kind. John Fowler, spokesman for the cinema, told the Gay Community News that the actual attendance of the last showing was small and he has hopes of a larger showing of friendly faces this time. The cost is just $2.00 and refreshments will be free. Proceeds will benefit HUB.

Gay Community News

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FOCUS ON

Coming Out is rarely a simple matter. The prejudices and oppressions of straight society, the personal doubts and inhibitions, and legal and religious hassles.. none of them are easily overcome. And for the homosexual under the age of 18, there is the parental problem and magnified peer pressure which is often more difficult to contend with than the other aspects involved in coming out.

The Boston Gay Youth was established for the purpose of bringing together young homosexuals of high school age. Some members of the gay community, while willing to help, have shied away from a gay youth organization because of the age factor. The BGY wants to help young homosexuals in their struggle by providing a phone number and/or address to contact in times of need. And the BGY wants to help by providing a meeting place where young gays, both male and female, can get together. And the BGY especially wants to help by giving encouragement, assurance and a feeling of togetherness by discussing the problems, ideals, and beliefs of gay youth with them. For further information, please call (617) 536-6197 or write:

Boston Gay Youth
Room 509
419 Boylston Street
Boston, Mass. 02116

NOTICE

Gay Defense Committee needs instructors proficient in any form of self-defense. If you or any one you know is willing to instruct gay people voluntarily for one hour weekly, please contact Danny Greco, c/o GCN.

Rita Rita Rita

Well, folks, time is running out! Despite the fact that GCN has been deluged with entries, we still know that there are a few of you out there who haven't submitted a drawing yet. Now, we went out on the financial limb to supply generous prizes for this contest and we want to make sure that every gay brother and sister gets a chance to win. Come on, people, start drawing!

did you see?

by David A. De Neet

NEWSWEEK

Last Tuesday's NEWSWEEK examines gay women as mothers in a short article in the "Medicine" section. An interview with two women from Boston forms the basis of the article.

ANN LANDERS

While a woman scoffs at the idea that her sexuality should prevent her from raising children, Ann Landers is very busy trying to prevent us from being "happy". Ann has been printing letters from gays with increasing frequency. Some are "happy" the way they are, others are not. In review of all of the columns that we have seen (the latest being Mon., Sept. 24th's GLOBE), it seems that Ann's contention is that gays are sick and need all of our help and sympathy. Either wise up, Ann, or go back to in-law problems.

NEW YORK

Ever wonder how many faggots live in New York? John Reid, author of The Best Little Boy in the World, questions just about everyone as to their personal opinion. Amusing reading on page 72 of Sept. 24th NEW YORK MAGAZINE.

REAL PAPER

On page 10 of Sept 26 REAL PAPER Jeffrey Allen examines the ins and outs of aversion therapy as it is used to "cure" homosexuality. Please don't miss this one.

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REACT!!

Coming up shortly there will be several civil service openings within the Boston Police Dept. Police Commissioner Robert Di Grazia has stated that he'd like more minority group members on the Boston police force. One of the largest minority groups in the city, the gay community, is without any up-front representatives in the police force. Although gay people could find it compromising to serve the Department in the traditional role (which might include harassing gays, raiding gay movies, etc.) it would be interesting to see positions created for gay people to serve as paid members of the BPD as police community liaisons. Such posts would not be without precedent. In New York City and some of the gay capitals on the West Coast, gay men and women serve the department and their own community very well in such roles. How about it, Commissioner?

REACTIONS:

To the Editor:

I don't know what's gotten into you, but I think you had better start paying a little more attention to what you're putting into print.

In many ways the GCN has been a good informative and entertaining sheet, but recently some inexcusable blunders have been made. Your latest error appears on the front page of GCN #14 entitled "Crisis Line" in which you inform us that: "The only hot line serving the area's gay community has been the "Gay Crisis Line" at project place."

WHAT AN INSULT!

When Gay People have been Manning the phones at DOB, MCC, HCHS, and HUB for years. I know for a fact that even before the demise of "Gay Phone" HUB would receive many calls from people who either found "Gay Phone" impossible to contact or were given such poor inaccurate service that they had to call someone else. HUB's phone referral service answers fifty calls a day; some at the wee hours of the morning and we have an experienced staff of phone workers who rap-out problems, collect information, and give out very up-to-date information on groups, activities, schedules, and other vital facts. A lot of your staff and a lot of potentially useful people at GCC seem to be suffering from the sickness that many new comers to a movement suffer from, myself often included. It is a lack of information, facts, and experience.

What this does to the more advanced and informed organizations is cause a lot of injustice.

Please get with it.

HUB and other groups are with you, supporting your progress, happy for your success, but very misenchanted at your false policy. If you think you can be successful on your own and add to the success of the past and present gay movement in Boston, let's see. If, on the other hand, yon do need to use some of our facilities, we'd be more than glad to make arrangements; you might be very surprised at what we do offer at 419 Boylston St.

Gay Love,
Donald Meuse

Ed. Note:

1) Gay Community Center Committee (GCC) has absolutely no connection with GCN. 2) "Crisis Line" also has no connection whatsoever with GCN. If you feel that there is no need for this service, it would be most productive to tell them. 3) If HUB as well as the other organizations are offended, we are sorry, and that was certainly not the intent. The problem seems to be in one's conception of a crisis or hot-line. GCN itself receives numerous calls for information, problems, etc., and we try to effectively deal with these or refer them - yet we do not consider ourselves a hot-line, which involves 24 hour service and trained personnel to deal with suicide, drug overdose, etc. This is such a complicated, professional, and time-consuming task that it requires full-time dedication to this specific problem. The fact that it is not being done does not negate the efforts of others to fill the gap. None of these organizations is primarily devoted to this problem, with the exception of HCHS, which at this time cannot offer specific phone counseling except T W Th 1-9 PM. What the organizers of "Crisis Line" decide to do is up to them and those that work with them in planning. Perhaps a consolidation of present services could be attempted, but nonetheless, GCN has nothing to do with it, except covering their efforts as news.

To the editor of Gay Community News:

The Boston Gay Switchboard Task Force, in only a few weeks of existence, has managed to be the object of much confusion and negative feeling, most of it directed erroneously toward GCN. I feel it is time to clarify some issue about the task force for the gay community in general and HUB in particular.

1.What has been popularly referred to as the "crisis line" is the effort of the Task Force.

2. The Task Force has absolutely no official connection with GCN, GCC or Project Place.

3. Robert Dow, president of HUB, attended a Task Force meeting and expressed a willingness to give support to the effort. At that time he made no mention that HUB had any desire to assume the responsibility for such a hotline (meaning a counselling telephone crisisintervention service with referral back-up). An info and referral line such as HUB has cannot be expected to assume a counselling phone function.

4. We of the Task Force feel that to undertake such a project requires the full-time effort of a specific gronp. The Task Force is interested in assuming the work. To accomplish this end we are interested in seeking the support and energy of individuals.

It is unfortunate that GCN has been caught up in the nest of misinformation.

Also I would like HUB to realize that I was under the impression that the views of a HUB member related to me during a phone conversation were the official views of HUB.

Yours in the struggle for Boston gay switchboard task force,
Paul W. Tellalian

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF GCN

We have had controversy and differences of opinion about some of the contents and features of GCN. We would like to know what many of our readers feel in order to better serve your needs and interests.

Please give the following a rating from 1 (very impt./excellent quality) to 5 (not at all impt./poor quality).

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The View from the Closet		
Focus On:		
Lovin' Music		

What other types of areas would you like to see covered?

General Comments: Please mail to GCN, 70 Charles St., Boston, Mass. 02114.

The View from the Closet

by A. Nolder Gay

A Sense of Proportion

Near the end of James Hilton's 1933 classic Goodbye Mr. Chips, there is an encounter between the aged former Latin master and a "new boy" at Brookfield School. Chips tells the youngster that he is growing up into "a very cross sort of world,' a world the old man had once scorned for its vulgarity, ostentation, "hectic rotten-ripeness" and lack of humor. What was missing from such a world, what Brookfield ought to be teaching, was a sense of proportion.

Those of us born about the time that story was written have undergone, are undergoing, or will shortly undergo the process known variously as the second identity crisis, the "mid-life transition," or (jocularly) the "male menopause". The first identity crisis, swelling in late adolescence and receding in the mid-twenties, is well known. The second takes us unsuspecting, like a thief in the night. According to a Yale study recently reported in the Globe, we feel that work is a drag life is a drag. Our energies are depleted, our hearts are no longer young and gay. And we ask ourselves what kind of lives we will be leading for the next thirty years.

For the aging gay, this mid-life crisis has a further twist He may become conscious of it when he makes the simultaneous discovery that (a) if he wants good sex, he has to pay for it and (b) if he has to pay for it, it isn't good sex. On another level, he may look enviously at the young up-front types, and realize he's played it too close too long, and there's now too much to lose and nothing to gain by "coming out." Or else one fine day he passes an attractive adolescent boy and idly fantasizes, reflecting that he is just old enough to be the boy's father. And suddenly there wells up an uncontrollable, visceral longing for a son to cherish, guide and protect. Yet in that anguished moment it seems to him that he denies his gayness, which he has long struggled to accept. And that, as my younger friends say, is a very heavy thing.

What to do? For some, a last flutter among the chickens, a frantic pursuit of youth and youths, lucky if the only penalty is looking slightly ridiculous. For others, self-destruction, drug or alcohol abuse, or relentless personal despair. Yet beyond the moment of truth there are happier alternatives, more constructive lifestyles. Let Dr. Dan Levinson, director of the Yale study, speak:

"It is possible to be in better touch with yourself... more genuinely loving. The important thing about making love is not how many times you can make it, but what you can give and receive in the process." A gracefully aging person could become "more fully a father to young adults, a mentor and a peer." Now, Levinson says (and he's speaking to straights but also to us) is the time "to integrate the masculine-feminine polarity that early adulthood was built upon. The traditional image of masculinity is just as oppressive for the man as for the woman."

There's a sense of proportion. That's what we need to struggle toward, as individuals and as a community.

MEDIA MESSAGE

by Loretta Lotman

Granny Annie Rides Again

In last Tuesday's Morning Globe, Ann Landers carried on her continuing war against truth, justice and the homosexual way of life. Without going into morbid detail about the column (detailed elsewhere) let's talk about the Globe's involvement in the matter.

On page 2 of the Globe, a disclaimer was issued about having to cut back on features because of the newsprint shortage. Why they bothered to waste space on the Landers slander of homosexuals is beyond me. Also, contrary to popular belief, headlines to syndicated columns are written by individual papers, not by the columnist. It's a matter of fitting the headline to available space. Thus the headline in the Morning Globe, "Gay Life Mostly Sad" was written by the Globe. They were responsible.

Well, some un-sad gay people bothered to call the paper and (pardon the phrase) straighten them out on the matter. I know of calls to Managing Editor Tom Winship, Living Pages Editor Jerry Delfonso, and the Syndication editor. We were placated by Winship's secretary, the associate editor admitted it was a "human mistake" and were given suggestions to write Ann Landers or a letter to the editor. And, in the Evening Globe, the column again appeared - this time with the headline "Homosexual Protests."

OK - it wasn't a big victory, but we did win. For the first time the Globe learned that it has a homosexual readership, and that we're tired of being put down in print. Some of us bothered to be vocal to the people in power - and it worked.

However, the Mad columnist of Middle America is still alive and well and spewing her shit from the Midwest. Last Monday's column was supposed to show that even homosexuals know that their sex drive is evil, perverted and ooh aah icky poo nasty. Let's tell her otherwise. Address your letters (for heaven's sake-WRITE) to Ann Landers or Managing Editor, Chicago Sun Times, Chicago, Ill.

MEDIA NOTES - Catch 44 with HUB got Watergated to Thursday, Sept. 27 at 6:30pm...The Real Paper managed to print a "Guide to Boston" without a comprehensive guide to gay groups in the city. Tsk. Phoenix gave us admirable coverage.

NOTICE

The Boston University Homophile League will meet every Wednesday night 7-10 at the Sherman Union - either the Terrace Lounge or Room 320. Specifics can be obtained at the Union information desk and BU's Daily Free Press newspaper. Plans include a session in gay counseling, a "B.U. Boogay" (dance), and much, much more. All gay women and men at B.U. are urged to attend.

B.U. also offers a service called EROS - a sexuality counseling service located in room 416 in the Union (or dial 353-3767 from 10-6 Monday through Friday). EROS is non-professional peer counseling which also offers referrals, information and literature on any aspect of human sexuality. Gay volunteers are needed. If interested, dial the above number and be willing to devote about two hours a week. Any efforts shown will be greatly appreciated.

calendar: sept. 27 – oct. 10

NOTE: * INDICATES THAT MORE INFO. ON THIS EVENT IS IN THIS ISSUE

THU 27
8:00PM Faggot Consciousness Raising Group, CSMH.
9:00PM Gay Way Radio, WBUR (90.9 FM).
Nite: Project Place Gay Crisis Line, 267-9150
6:30PM "Catch 44", HUB, Channel 44

FRI 28
8:30PM DOB Dance, Women only, 75¢ 419 Boyl. Rm 323

SAT 29
1-4:00PM Boston Gay Youth Phone Coun & Info 536-6197
2:00PM Bos Gay Youth open rap&mtg, 419 Boyl. Rm. 509
8:00PM Good Gay Poets, Marc Spiegel, CSMH

SUN 30
1:00PM DOB Softball, Magazine Beach, Cambridge
5:30PM Interfaith Mass, Beacon St. & Mass. Ave.
6:00PM Gay Defense Class, CSMH
6,7,8:15PM MCC Mtg., Serv, & Fllwshp Hr, Old West Church
7:00PM MCC(Prov) serv, fllwshp hr, 134 Mathewson, Prov RI

MON 1
7:30PM HUB rap, 419 Boylston St., Rm. 509
7:30PM Gay Defense Class, CSMH
8:00PM MCC Women's Ministry Rap Group

TUE 2
6:30-9:30PM Boston Gay Youth phone coun & info 536-6197
7:00PM Lesbian Therapy Res. Proj., Women's Center, Camb.
7:30PM MCC(Prov) Prayer&Rap, 134 Mathewson, Prov RI.
7:30PM DOB Women's Rap, 419 Boylston, Rm. 323
7:30PM MCC Bible Study Group
8:00PM Gay Rollerskating, Ballarou, Medford

WED 3
7:30PM DOB Business Mtg., 419 Boyl., Rm. 323
7:30PM MCC Prayer Mtg., 419 Boyl., Rm. 400
7:00PM MCC(Prov) Prayer&Rap, 134 Mathewson, Prov, RI
7:30PM Lesbian Mothers Rap, 419 Boyl., Rm. 323
7-10:00PM* BU Homo.Leag, Sher. Union: Terr. Lounge or rm 320

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Nite: Project Place Gay Crisis Line. 267-9150

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Dignity/Boston, c/o 1105 Boylston St., Boston 02215	
Fag Rag	536-9826
Gay Community Center	491-5669
Gay Community News	523-8729
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Gay Media Action	868-5729
Gay Peoples' Group of U.Mass/Boston	542-6500x607
Gay Speakers Bureau	547-1451
Gay Way Radio (WBUR 90.9 FM) (Contact Elaine Noble or John Lawrence)	353-2790
Good Gay Poets	536-9826
Homophile Community Health Service	266-5477
Homophile Union of Boston	536-6197
Lavender Hour (WBCN 104.1 FM) (Contact Andrew Kopkind or Littlejohn)	261-8526
Lesbian Liberation (c/o Women's Ctr.)	354-8807
Metropolitan Community Church/Boston	266-7491
Metropolitan Community Church/Providence	1-401-831-3773
Project Place	267-9150
Fr. Paul Shanley	267-0764

CORRECTION

GCN has learned that the person who placed a classified ad in our issue #12 neglected to note its source. The poem originally appeared in the August issue of DOB's FOCUS: A JOURNAL FOR GAY WOMEN, was actually written by Judy Greenspan, and entitled "To Diana". GCN's Classified Dept. was not aware that the material was not by the person who submitted the paid ad.

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